

**AMSTER
ROTHSTEIN
& EBENSTEIN LLP**

Intellectual Property Law

90 Park Avenue
New York NY 10016

Main 212 336 8000

Fax 212 336 8001

Web www.arelaw.com

Partners

Morton Amster
Jesse Rothstein (1934 - 2003)
Daniel Ebenstein
Philip H. Gottfried
Michael J. Berger
Neil M. Zipkin
Anthony F. Lo Cicero
Kenneth P. George
Abraham Kasdan, Ph.D.
Ira E. Silfin
Chester Rothstein
Craig J. Arnold
Kenneth M. Bernstein

Senior Counsel

Charles R. Macedo
Mark J. Rosenberg
Nancy M. Dodderidge

Of Counsel

Jerry D. Dainow

Associates

Neal L. Rosenberg
Patrick Boland*
Trebzor Lloyd
Joseph M. Casino
John S. Economou

Michael V. Solomita

Holly Pekowsky
Michael P. Kenney
Marion P. Metelski
Max Vern
Dana R. Metes
Karl J. Kolbinger
Brian A. Comack
Richard S. Mandaro
Marc J. Jason
Elie H. Gendloff, Ph.D.
David Mitnick
Charles W. Rath
David A. Boag

Karen J. Bernstein

Mathieu Hausig
Jung S. Hahm
Reiko Kaji
Alan D. Miller, Ph.D.
Hsin-Hsin (Ginger) Liu
John A. Lepore*
Norajean McCaffrey

*Not admitted in New York

August 16, 2004

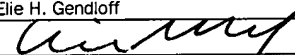
Elie H. Gendloff, Ph.D., Esq.

Direct 212 336 8108

E-mail egendlof@arelaw.com

Via Express Mail

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

"Express Mail" mailing label No.	EL 996361688 US
Date of Deposit:	August 16, 2004
I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.	
Name:	Elie H. Gendloff
Signature:	

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application Serial No. 09/997,213 Filed Nov. 27, 2001

Title: A DEVICE FOR PERFORMING AN ASSAY, A METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SAID DEVICE, AND USE OF A MEMBRANE IN THE MANUFACTURE OF SAID DEVICE

Inventors: Hendrik Sibolt van Damme et al.

Our File: 65959/7

Sir:

Enclosed please find the following documents for filing in connection with the above-identified application in the names of Hendrik Sibolt van Damme et al., entitled A DEVICE FOR PERFORMING AN ASSAY, A METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SAID DEVICE, AND USE OF A MEMBRANE IN THE MANUFACTURE OF SAID DEVICE:

1. Reply to Office Action Under 37 C.F.R. 1.111 (4 pages);
2. Two Terminal Disclaimers, Forms PTO/SB/26 (2 pages total);
3. Fee Transmittal, Form PTO/SB/17 (1 page);
4. Amster, Rothstein & Ebenstein LLP check in the amount of \$220.00 to cover the two Terminal Disclaimer fees for a large entity status; and
5. Return receipt postcard.

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
Serial No. 09/997,213

-2-


August 16, 2004

Please acknowledge receipt of the enclosed documents by stamping the enclosed postcard and returning same.

Respectfully submitted,

Amster, Rothstein & Ebenstein LLP
Attorneys for Applicants
90 Park Avenue
New York, NY 10016
212 336 8000

Dated: New York, New York
August 16, 2004

By: 
Elie Gendloff
Registration No. 44,704



817104

Image 1641/1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/997,213

Confirmation No. 4072

Applicant : Hendrik Sibolt van Damme et al.

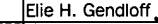
Filed : November 27, 2001

Art Unit : 1641

Examiner : Christopher L. Chin

Docket No. : 65959/7

Customer No. : 1912

"Express Mail" mailing label No. EL 996361688 US	
Date of Deposit:	August 16, 2004
<p>I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.</p>	
Name:	Elie H. Gendloff
Signature:	

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Reply is in response to the Office Action dated May 19, 2004 in the above-identified case.

Amendment

Please enter the following amendment in this case.